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FIBRE CHANNEL SWITCH

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Please consider the following amendments and remarks provided with the concurrently filed Request For Continued Examination (RCE).

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which being on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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